

WIRE RAIL BEDS NEWLY REAR EL PASO

Most Valuable Fertilizer in the World Plentiful at Candelaria.

ONLY KNOWN DEPOSIT IN UNITED STATES

The importance of the sodium nitrate deposits of Presidio county, Texas, and those of the eastern part of the state of Chihuahua, Mexico, a description of which was first published in The Herald, July 9, has attracted not only the attention of the press of the country, but also of scientific men and manufacturers; and as it belongs to the field tributary to El Paso, and with one exception is the only section where the material has been found either in the United States or Mexico, the following from Dr. Wm. B. Phillips and C. F. Z. Caracristi is of interest.

Dr. Phillips is the Manufacturer's Record says:

"During the last few years, reports of the discovery of a deposit of nitrate of soda in Presidio county, Texas, have found their way into the local papers. The locality is about 45 miles south of Valentine, a station on the Galveston, Harrisburg and San Antonio railway, about 150 miles southeast of El Paso, and about two miles from the Rio Grande. The samples that have been analyzed by D. W. Beckhart, of El Paso, and were secured by T. R. Owen, of Candelaria, Tex., and L. H. Davis, of El Paso, showed a considerable variation in the contents of nitrate. The analyses published in The El Paso Herald of July 9, were as follows: 24.5, 7.1, 36.5, and 71 percent of sodium nitrate. These analyses do not seem to represent any known thickness of the deposit. Assuming that the above analyses represent the same thickness of material, (of which the writer does not express any opinion) the average contents in nitrate of soda is 25.37 percent. This assumption may or may not tally with the actual facts and we await further information.

Lava Covers Nitrate.

"The deposit of nitrate appears to underlie a sheet of lava of undetermined nature and thickness, but whether it may be derived from this lava or be the product of agencies wholly apart is as yet unknown. Such prospecting as has been carried on there, is quite insufficient to determine the extent or quality of the deposit. Along the Rio Grande, between the Mexican and on the Texas side, other finds of nitrate of soda have been made. Several years ago the writer received a 50 pound sack of earth from the Mexican side, opposite the town of Presidio del Norte, and within easy reach of the Kansas City, Mexico and Orient railway, now under construction from Chihuahua to the Rio Grande. It was found to contain 10 percent of nitrate of soda. But the most promising of all the discoveries is that on the Texas side of the Rio Grande and near the little settlement of Candelaria. Near the mouth of Tornillo creek, Brewster county, another deposit of nitrate of soda is reported, and south of the Chisos mountains, remote from rail. It is an interesting circumstance that localized deposits of nitrate of soda should be reported from regions where mineralized hot waters make their way to the surface. On the Mexican side of the river, about three miles from the river, are a number of hot springs, and another occurs near the mouth of Tornillo creek above mentioned.

Very Slight Rainfall.

"The Candelaria nitrate deposits occur in a region which has an annual rainfall of about 15 inches, quite enough to affect in a quite serious manner the commercial aspects of the case. In this connection, mention may be made of the discovery of nitrate of potash in a cave in El Paso county north of the Texas and Pacific railway."

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SPLENDID SHOWS FOR EL PASO THIS WINTER

Frank Rich believes as a result of breaking away from the so-called trust, that he is going to be able to give the people of El Paso the best lot of theatrical attractions this winter that they have ever seen here in one season. Here is the list of attractions already booked, with negotiations under way for a number of others that will be booked as the season advances:

"The Girl from Rector's," a play one. "Morning, Noon and Night," musical comedy.

Walker Whitehead, in "The Melting Pot," Zangwill's great play.

Dustan Farnum, in "Cameo Kirby," a strong drama.

"Stubbard Cinderella," musical comedy.

Mary Manning, in a new play.

"Arizona," western comedy drama.

"Queen of the Moulin Rouge," another play one.

"The Man of the Hour," great political play.

"Mrs. Wiggs of the Cabbage Patch," a delightful comedy.

Billy Clifford, in something new.

Frederick Wade, in tragedy.

"Gentlemen from Mississippi," a strong political drama.

"The City," another political drama.

Lillian Russell, the only Lillian.

"The Virginian," western drama.

"Volunteer Organist," rural drama.

"Dollar Princess," New York and London musical comedy success.

"Isle of Spice," a new musical comedy.

"Shirring Princess," another new musical comedy.

Gertrude Elliott, in a new play.

"The Time, the Place and the Girl," a musical comedy by the author of "A Stubbard Cinderella."

"Hanson's Superba," a big musical extravaganza.

Bessie Abbott's Grand Opera company.

Louis Mann, in a strong new play.

Dickster.

Richard Jose, singer.

CITY CANNOT YET TAKE WATER PLANT

Actual transfer of the property of the water company to the city of El Paso is waiting upon the preparation of the bonds, says mayor Kelly. Attorneys for the water company are preparing the wording, which, when approved by the city council, will be sent to the engravers to be printed upon the face of the bonds.

After this is done, they must go to the attorney general of Texas for approval. Then the money for their purchase will be turned over to the city.

It is probable that a month will transpire before these details are completed.

SENATE BUSY ON RAILWAY CLAIM

Considerable Discussion in Both Houses - Hudspeth Amendment Under Fire.

HOUSE MAY FORCE MEMBERS TO ATTEND

Austin, Tex., Aug. 26.—Both branches of the legislature engaged this morning in a discussion of the international and Great Northern railroad claim validation measure. Prospects are that the battle in both houses will be closely contested and the passage of a bill Hudspeth's amendment exempting bonds issued under the stock and bond law of the state is under consideration in the senate.

The house is discussing a somewhat similar measure by Lee, Terrell, of Cherokee, argued for the bill and Perkins spoke against it, Perkins declaring it would retard progress in south-east Texas.

Senate Apparently Busy.

A petition was read in the senate this morning signed by citizens of Stephenville asking a repeal of the present fire insurance act and the passage of a bill favoring Texas companies.

Waco barbers sent in a petition in favor of the spider bill.

When the validation bill affecting claims against the railroads came up, Hudspeth spoke on his amendment exempting roads organized under the Texas stock and bond law, declaring the passage of the bill without his amendment would stop the building of 50 lines in western Texas. He said that commissioner Williams had expressed the opinion that the Hudspeth amendment would not invalidate the bill. Holsey opposed the amendment and Branchfield opposed an amendment of the bill in any material manner.

House Wants a Quorum.

Baker, of Hood, offered a resolution in the house this morning canceling all excuses except for sickness, in order, he said, to maintain a quorum. It was referred to the committee on rules.

Robertson, of Erath, sent up a resolution signed by citizens of Stephenville protesting against the high rate of insurance.

The railroad claim validation bill was then taken up.

Head Debate.

Lee offered an amendment exempting from the bill's provisions, roads organized under the Texas stock and bond law. Robertson, of Travis, asked whether it is not true that \$4,000,000 of the L. & G. N. bonds were issued under the stock and bond law. Lee declared his belief that the road was the only one chartered before the stock and bond law became effective.

Terrell, of Cherokee, who introduced the validation measure, argued for it as a matter of right, saying the legislature cannot afford to defeat the bill because of hat cases and declared it was well known that the Goulds had made money wrecking roads. Perkins declared the bill should be entitled an "Act to allow Palestine lawyers to collect debts before the legislative bar."

Moller favored the bill, saying a powerful railroad lobby is here fighting it.

Senator Hudspeth caused some excitement in the capitol last evening by boxing the ears of the correspondent of the San Antonio Light for printing something the senator didn't like.

GORE COMMITTEE TENDS LABORS IN OKLAHOMA

Tulsa, Okla., Aug. 26.—The congressional committee investigating charges made by senator T. P. Gore, regarding Indian land affairs, ended its labors in this state last night at Pawhuska, coming here, where they were given a public reception today. The committee will leave for Kansas City tonight.

Frank C. Spencer, manager of the Harvey news and curio shop at the union station, and Mrs. Spencer, who have spent the summer at Harvey's Grand Canyon hotel, will arrive in the city the first of next week and Mr. Spencer will resume the management of the union station stand.

PAJAMA TALK BY THE HON. TEDDY

Addresses Iowans in His Sleeping Garb and Protests to Photographers.

SAYS HE STANDS FOR HONEST MEN

Ames, Ia., Aug. 26.—Speeding westward on a special car, Col. Roosevelt was not permitted to sleep late this morning. Scarcely had the state of Iowa been entered when a stop was made at Marshalltown, where hundreds of people clamored to see the distinguished traveler. After some delays, he emerged from the car smiling, attired in pajamas and slippers, over which he had thrown a rain coat. He protested at the action of photographers who brought their cameras into action.

"It is outrageous," he said, "to take my picture in this garb."

Roosevelt made a few remarks, expressing interest in the children in the assemblage, and suggested that it would not be well to depend upon immigration for increasing the population of the country.

The Roosevelt special will go through Iowa and Nebraska today, stopping at a dozen or more places where the colonel will make an address.

Roosevelt Against Bossism.

Mr. Roosevelt definitely aligned himself with the progressives of New York state in a statement which he issued on train today. He declared the main issue in the fight in New York is not any specific reform measure but bossism. Bossism, he declared, frequently led to corruption and he said he would wage a ruthless war on corrupt alliances between business and bosses.

Neither can we allow big corporations to dominate the party and the public by the special interests," the statement says, "whether these special interests are political or business or a compound of the two."

STRIKE GIVES ROOSEVELT TEXT FOR A SPEECH

Toledo, O., Aug. 26.—Transferring of mails delayed the fast mail train of the Lake Shore 30 minutes yesterday afternoon when Col. Roosevelt more time than had been anticipated to address the great crowd assembled at the union station.

He referred again to conditions relative to the street car strike at Columbus, O. He said:

"We do not allow individuals to fight out their own differences. The government settles these differences for them. Neither can we allow big corporations to fight out their differences with employees if disorder results. We cannot allow mob rule."

The crowd cheered.

"We must find out if the corporation acted fairly by its employees and the public. The corporation has a duty to the community and the public should see that the public and local officials take action to prevent injustice."

These are the two prime articles of my creed—a square deal for every man and justice for every man, rich and poor. If there is disorder, all reform must stop until order is restored. I shall insist upon honesty, if it breaks up the best business of the land and shall insist upon order under all circumstances.

Remember that the public official who does not maintain order and fails to put down a mob is quite as criminal as any corrupt man who conducts a great corporation that becomes corrupt. I stand for order in citizenship. I am against the corporation when it does wrong, and I am against the mob when it resorts to violence."

WARNS PUBLIC AGAINST ELECTING CORRUPT OFFICIALS

Elkhart, Ind., Aug. 26.—Col. Roosevelt on reaching this city late yesterday afternoon when lowering clouds threatened rain, reminded his audience that the right kind of men and women in the ranks of American citizenship was the greatest need of the country.

"The stream does not rise higher than its source," he said. "You cannot get the right kind of government unless you have the right kind of citizens back of the government."

He warned the people against the election of corrupt men to office because they expected to profit by the brilliancy of such men.

"In the first place, you want an honest man," he said. "I don't care how able the man is if he is not honest. His smartness is no use to us without conscience. And I don't even care how honest he is, how game he is, if he has not common sense, he is no use."

EVERY AMERICAN CITIZEN MUST HAVE FAIR CHANCE

South Bend, Ind., Aug. 26.—Theodore Roosevelt traveled across Ohio and Indiana and he was greeted everywhere by enthusiastic crowds to whom he talked of honesty, respect and corporations.

The crowds that greeted him were larger than those which turned out to see him in his trip across New York state and they were so intent in their demands to see him and hear him that he responded in every instance.

At Toledo and Columbus he spoke on mob rule, having in mind the street car strike in Columbus. At Toledo he said:

"The great question we have to face is to shape things so that every American citizen shall have a fair chance to earn his living and lead a life under the best and most favorable conditions, that he shall be protected in his rights and prevented from wronging others in turn."

ROOSEVELT VISITS WITH CHICAGO NEWSPAPER MEN

Chicago, Ill., Aug. 26.—Col. Roosevelt avoided any formal reception during a stay of a little more than an hour here last night, but, instead, spent half an hour as the guest of the newspaper reporters at the Chicago Newspaper club.

At the newspaper club, Roosevelt commented on the failure of either

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FOREST FIRES CAUSE 200 DEATHS

CUMMINS TO CONTROL PARTY?

Wants to Cut Down Southern Representation in National Conventions.

WOULD BE BLOW TO CECIL LYON

Dallas, Texas, Aug. 26.—The election of a president by direct vote of the people instead of by electors as now, and for a bill regulating national political conventions, were the two subjects discussed in letters received from senator A. B. Cummins, of Iowa, indicating that he will introduce the first proposition and that he will support the second upon introduction by some other insurgent member of the Republican party in congress.

The bill regulating convention would cut down the representation of the southern states at Republican conventions. Cummins says some southern states have far too many delegates. He cites the fact that Iowa has 26 and Georgia 25, but declares that Georgia never polls a large Republican vote, while Iowa does.

Such a bill, if enacted, would be a hard blow to Cecil Lyon's control of Republican politics in Texas. Lyon and other Texas Republicans took a leading part in the nominations of Roosevelt and later Taft.

Cummins asserts that it is unfair to permit southern states with a small Republican vote, representation in conventions similar to northern states with a proved large Republican vote.

Cummins hopes by his bill to gain control for the insurgent Republicans in the next national Republican convention.

SETTLEMENT OF MINERS' TROUBLES

Begins to Look As If the Troubles Would Soon End in Central West.

Kansas City, Mo., Aug. 26.—Both coal mine operators and the miners of the southwestern field hold an optimistic view of the strike situation. They believe the trouble will be settled within a week.

The miners will meet in Pittsburgh tomorrow to vote on the proposition submitted by the operators. Should they approve the plan, the miners' feecings will come here Monday to confer with the operators and complete the contracts.

By the plan under consideration, the miners will receive the increase demanded by the Cincinnati convention, and the operators are to get concessions regarding working conditions in the mines.

INITIATIVE AND THE REFERENDUM

Colorado House Adopts It; Senate Is Short But Five Votes.

Denver, Colo., Aug. 26.—The initiative and referendum bill modeled after the Oregon law, was reported favorably to the senate today and will be taken up in committee of the whole this afternoon.

It passed the house yesterday and got the sanction of the Democratic senators in caucus last night.

Its adoption in the senate tomorrow or Monday is looked for, as but five Republican votes are needed.

GIVES BOND FOR MURDER CASE

Waxahatchie, Tex., Aug. 26.—A \$10,000 bond was made here this morning by Arthur Redman, charged with killing J. C. Robertson, a farmer in Ellis county, three years ago last spring.

The case came here on a change of venue. Thirteen citizens of Goliad county, Redman's home, signed the bond.

After his release Redman left for home and will return for trial in September.

GOVERNMENT NOT IN RAINMAKING BUSINESS

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—As a waste of time and powder, the war department today declined to grant the request of senator Piles and representative Humphreys of the state of Washington that it fire all its guns in the vicinity of Puget Sound simultaneously in order to produce rains in the regions coping with forest fires.

HEAVY FIRE LOSS IN TEXAS

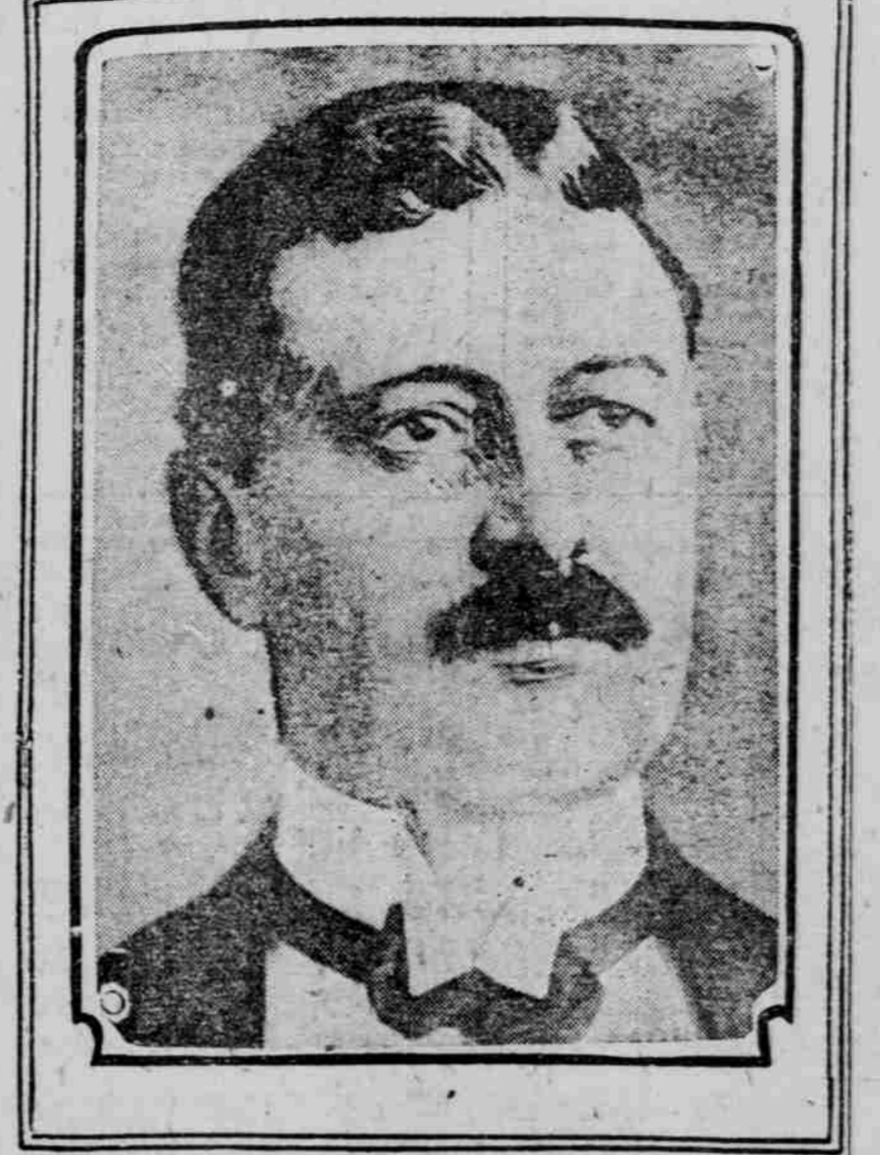
Gainesville, Texas, Aug. 26.—The town of Era, 11 miles west, was swept by fire early today, causing a loss estimated at \$20,000, and practically destroying the place.

The blaze broke out at 1 o'clock and was discovered just after a report of several burglaries.

The principal losers are Lester Segraves, general merchandise, \$2500; barber shop and confectionery, owned by Emer Darden and Owen Richardson, \$1300; warehouse and shoe shop, owned by Lester Segraves, \$2000; H. Y. Mack, general merchandise, \$800; M. A. Cornett, saddlery and harness store, \$1000; J. P. Pickle, woodworking establishment, \$10,000.

The postoffice was the only structure saved in the business section. There were several small losses of \$100 or more, each.

Accused Of Obtaining Another Man's Patent



Daniel J. Sully, the cotton king, who with several of his associates, has been cited to appear before a federal court in the District of Columbia to show cause why he should not return to Lemuel A. Greene letters patent issued to him for improvements in cotton grading. Greene says Sully and others had as trustees for his patent assigned it to a grading cotton company they had formed. All he obtained from it was \$50,000 worth of stock, whereas he was to have stock and \$50,000 in cash as well.

INSANE MAN SHOOT TWO ON PULLMAN CAR

Ellis, Kas., Aug. 26.—Harry Pugh, of Niagara Falls, N. Y., became insane on a Pullman of the Union Pacific train near here last night and fatally shot the porter of the car, named Young, and Dr. H. H. Temple, of Kansas City.

Pugh acted queerly in the evening, but talked affably with other passengers in the Pullman. In the night he began firing through the end of his berth into the smoking room. The car porter ran forward and was shot twice through the body.

Dr. Temple, who was en route from Denver with his wife and child, sprang into the aisle and Pugh shot him twice through the abdomen. The conductor and brakeman then overpowered the murderous mad man and he was placed in jail here.

Dr. Temple was taken from the train at Ellsworth, unconscious and apparently dying. Young was taken to Kansas City.

Pugh is about 28 years old and apparently in a prosperous condition.

KOREA MAY TRY TO REPEL JAPAN

Looks to United States to War With Japs Within a Few Years.

New York, N. Y., Aug. 26.—The belief is general in Korea that the United States will be drawn into a war with Japan within the next five years, according to Dr. S. H. Kimm, formerly attaché of the Korean legation at Washington, and now representative in this country of the Korean "insurgents," who are waging a guerilla warfare in Korea against annexation by Japan.

The true state of affairs in Korea is not generally known, said Dr. Kimm, because of the Japanese censorship over the telegraph and mails.

It would take little to start 20,000,000 Koreans on a war for liberation, he says.

CARRIERS' DAY

Tomorrow being the last Saturday of the month, The Herald carriers will present bills for the month of August. Subscribers will kindly note the above and be ready for the boys.

LIST MAY BE SWELLED LATER

Situation in Idaho and Montana Is Greatly Improved; Fires Are Subsiding.

STILL BURNING IN WASHINGTON

Bodies Are Reported Scattered Through the Burned Region in Many Places.

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 26.—A careful estimate of the loss of life in the forest fires place the number of dead and probable dead at 200.

Italians and Austrians in St. Joe valley, Idaho, of whom many perished, were employees of logging companies.

The list of government rangers dead, as low as 100 now, will almost certainly be lengthened.

A post card was received here today from Ponderay, Idaho, dated August 24, and signed "T. W. K." says: "The bodies of 29 dead men and five living men are at a ranch house on the opposite side of the river at Tascara, Mont. The five men suffer terrible agony from burns, and no doctor is obtainable. A ranchman says there are 29 more bodies still in the woods."

Situation Improves

Missoula, Mont., Aug. 26.—Reports received today by district forester Greely from the fire districts in Montana and Idaho reveal the fact that the general situation is improving all the time. Fire fighters are slowly gaining control and all towns and settlements are out of danger.

Pinchot Places Blame

Washington, D. C., Aug. 26.—Gifford Pinchot, of the National Conservation association, and former head of the government forest service, in a statement issued today, holds that the loss of property and life in the recent and present forest fires was unnecessary.

The disastrous results, he says, are traceable to unpreparedness to deal with the fire situation. He accuses the members of congress who opposed appropriations for the proper equipment of the forest rangers, and in that connection names senator Heyburn, of Idaho, whose home town, Wallace, suffered serious loss; senator Carter, of Montana, and representative Mondell, of Wyoming.

Heavy Death List

Spokane, Wash., Aug. 26.—If the stories of the men who have returned from the St. Joe country of Idaho are to be believed, the loss of life along Big Creek, a tributary of the St. Joe river, was appalling and the dead in Idaho alone will number more than 200, even if ranger Joseph B. Halm and his 84 men turn up, of which the forest officer in Wallace is not hopeful.

Two lumbermen say they saw 300 Italian fire fighters burned to death on Big Creek.

Wreckage Takes Fire and Victims Are Removed With Difficulty

Jefferson City, Mo., Aug. 26.—Five men were killed and one badly injured when two heavy freight trains on the Missouri Pacific collided head-on near Blackwater, 65 miles west of here, today. The dead and injured are all trainmen.

A fire broke out in the wreckage and it was with the greatest difficulty that the dead and injured were removed.

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MOTHER RISKS LIFE TO SAVE HER CHILD

Sedan, Kans., Aug. 26.—The 2-year-old child of John Burch, a farmer near here, fell into a cistern containing five feet of water. Mrs. Burch jumped into the cistern and held the child above water eight hours, until her husband, returning from work, found her after a search. She collapsed after being rescued and is seriously ill.

WORLDWIDE STRIKE OF SAILORS, MAYBE

Copenhagen, Denmark, Aug. 26.—Delegates from all seamen's unions in America and Europe, at the international congress of sailors and marine firemen in session here, with the exception of the French association, agreed today to declare an international strike unless ship owners of every country concerned agreed to the formation of a board of conciliation to deal with the grievances of the men.

DRUNKARDS MUST GO TO INSANE ASYLUM

Paterson, N. J., Aug. 26.—The authorities of Passaic county have decided that habitual drunkenness is a mental disease and persons so afflicted will hereafter be committed to the insane asylum.

The first case so disposed of resulted yesterday in sending two women to the asylum for treatment. Both are old offenders and have spent the greater part of the last 20 years in the county jail. Their sole offence is intoxication.